I.C.P.O. Bulletin

04-11 January 2013

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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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04/01/2013: Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, Senegal, between 4-18 January 2013. QRV 80-10m, mainly CW. If possible he also hopes to be active on 160m with an Inverted L. QSL via F6BLP, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. [DX World]

04/01/2013: Mathieu, MJ0ASP, will be QRV from Madeira Island (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053), as CT9/MJ0ASP from 4-9 January 2013. Activity will be on 40-10 metre CW only. QSL via LotW and home call. [DX World]

04/01/2013: Nao, JA2VQP is teaching mathematics at the Divine Word University in Wewak, East Sepic Province, north coast of PNG main land (OC-034, WLOTA 0084). During December he shipped some radio gear to P.N.G and hopes to be active in the coming months as P29NO. Nao will be staying for two years. [DX World]

07/01/2013: Bertrand, DF3ZS and Thomas, DL1QW will be QRV holiday-style from Diani Beach, Kenya, between 7-20 January 2013. Activity on 80m to 10m - CW, SSB and RTTY using dipoles, GP and vertical loops. QSL via home calls, direct or via the DARC bureau. [DX World]

09/01/2013: Al, W6HGF (www.qsl.net/w6hgf/) will be active as J8/W6HGF from Kingstown, island of Saint Vincent (NA-109, WLOTA 0492) from 9-24 January 2013. He plans to concetrate on RTTY. QSL via home call (direct or bureau) and LoTW. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [425 DX News]

09/01/2013: Mike JA6EGL, Yas JA6UBY and Yu JE6DND plan to be active as T88SM, T88CP and T88HK, respectively, from Koror Island, Palau (OC-009), from 9-14 January 2013. QRV on 80-10 metre CW and SSB. QSL direct to individual home calls. [DX World]

11/01/2013: Rick 'The Locust', K6VVA, is now scheduled to return to the Bahamas again. This time QRV as C6AVA on North Bimini Island (NA-048) from 11-14 January 2013. As always, this will be a primarily CW activation. Rick may also be QRV in the NAQP CW Contest. "An important note to Italian IOTA Chasers: If I send your callsign correctly the first time, please do NOT repeat your callsign 2 or 3 times as this unnecessarily wastes time. Stations who repeatedly call out-of-turn (Pileup "Bullies") will be confronted and run the risk of NOT getting into my log. If you cannot copy me, then please do NOT call." QSL ONLY via N6AWD. Further information and updates at: www.k6vva.com/iota/na048 [DX World]

11/01/2013: From 11-18 January 2013 the following operators will be active from the Blue Lagoon lodge, Lord Howe Island (OC-004, WFF VKFF-295, Grid Loc. QF98) - Tatsuo JA3ARJ/VK9L (QSL via H/c), Takeo JA3BZO/VK9L (QSL via H/c), Shozo JA3HJI/VK9L (QSL via H/c), Kunio AE6XY/VK9L (QSL via JA1CJA), Masumi W7AVO/VK9L (QSL via JA3AVO direct only) and Hiroko W7PBL/VK9L (QSL via JH3PBL direct only). The team will be QRV on 80-6 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. Check QSL policy on QRZ.com. [DX World]
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LOOKING AHEAD -

13/01/2013: Christian, F5UII, plans to be active as FY/F5UII from the FY5KE radio-club of Kourou, Guyana, between 13-30 January 2013. He will only trnasmit SSB on weekdays before 12:00z, after 22:00z and when he would be available to operate. Included in this trip will be activity from Salut islands [Ile Royale] (SA-020, WLOTA 0911) on 19th and 20th January. While on Ile Royale, Christian will be QRV with 100w on 40-10m using GPA-030 vertical antenna. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. Full information and updates can be found at: www.f5uii.net/en/fyf-5uii-en-guyane-du-13-au-30-janvier-2013/ [DX World]

25/02/2013: After his trip in Uganda with the F6KOP gang, Gerard F2JD will be back to Copan, located in the Copan Department of western Honduras, from around 25 February 2013 for 3 months. As usual he will be HR5/F2JD but he need to repair his tower which is destroy with very strong wind last autumn. QSL via F6AJA. The log will be online here: lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php [F6AJA]

01/03/2013: Alan, N3AD, will be active from the V26B rental shack located in Saint George Parish, island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, WW Loc. FK97CC) as V26M from 1-3 March 2013. This will include a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March). QSL via home call. [NG3K]

27/03/2013: Look for Richard, M5RIC, to be active from the Isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818) as MJ5RIC from 27-31 March 2013. This will include a Single-Op entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (23-24 March), using the callsign MJ2Z. QSL both callsigns via M5RIC, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

15/08/2013: Craig, VK5CE, is planning his next IOTA DXpedition as homecall/p from Flinders Island (OC-261, WFF VKFF-175) between 15-21 August 2013. "I'm able to set up my antenna right on the beach at the high tide mark, so this is perfect for the use of verticals. My primary antenna will be a SteppIR BigIR vertical with buried radials in the sand to operate on 80-10. Although most of the time I'll be on 40m, 20m and 15m. I'll have a solid state amplifier with 400 watts." QSL via his home callsign. Online logsearch will be hosted by ClubLog. Website: oc261.blogspot.com/ [VK5CE]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

04/01/2013: For the 50th anniversary of the French-German Treaty of Friendship (Elysee Treaty) there will be a special station DL50FRANCE on the air during the whole year of 2013, with special DOK 50FRA. This activity is an example for the international understanding which is fostered by amateur radio activities. Horst, DF8VV came up with the idea for this activity, the QSL manager is DK8VR. [DX Newsletter]

04/01/2013: On the occasion of the anniversary of the first official broadcast transmission from the Voxhaus Berlin on 29th October 1923, the Deutsche Amateur Radio Club e.V. (DARC) local chapter Maerkische Viertel (D13) issues a diploma and will be active on the bands as DR90VOX with special DOK 90VOX. Website: www.ovd13.de/ [DX Newsletter]

04/01/2013: On the occasion of the 110th jubilee of the football club MVV Maastricht, the special event callsign PD110MVV will be on the air until January 14th. QSL via PD3R. [DX Newsletter]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

04/01-08/01 VP2MSW: Montserrat Island WLOTA:1475 QSL M0URX (d/OQRS)

09/01-24/01 J8/W6HGF: St. Vincent WLOTA:0492 QSL H/c (d/B)
12/01-16/01 XV4DDD: Dao Phu Quoc WLOTA:2523 QSL JA2VWG (d)
12/01-16/01 XV4LU: Dao Phu Quoc WLOTA:2523 QSL JA7LU (d)
12/01-20/01 ZF2PG: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL K8PGJ (d)
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6 METRES & UP -

05/01 Contest Romagna 50MHz CW/SSB/Open/Fixed/Portable 0900z-1500z
06/01 Kid's Day - Phone VHF category 1800z-2359z
08/01 LY 432MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM/Open 1800z-2159z
08/01 NRAU 432MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
08/01 RSGB 432MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
09/01 MOON Contest 432MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1900z-2100z
10/01 LY 50MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM/Open 1800z-2159z
10/01 NRAU 50MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
11/01-18/01 JA3ARJ/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m all mode QSL H/c (d/B)
11/01-18/01 JA3BZO/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m all mode QSL H/c (d/B)
11/01-18/01 JA3HJI/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m all mode QSL H/c (d/B)
11/01-18/01 AE6XY/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m all mode QSL JA1CJA (d/B)
11/01-18/01 W7AVO/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m all mode QSL JA3AVO (d)
11/01-18/01 W7PBL/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m all mode QSL JH3PBL (d)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_jan.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated: 02 January 2013)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFO -

5W0W QSL status -
I received the qsl cards from the printer today for 5W0W. All request that I have received thru today will be in tomorrows (3 January 2013) outgoing mail.
73 Rex NR6M

QSLs via Bureau: 5R8AL, 5Z4HW, 6Y5/K1XM, 8Q7FF, 9K2/SP4R, A65CA, AA1AC/VP9, AH0J, C56E, D2AM, ES5RY, FG/DK9PY, P29NI, PJ5/K1XM, PJ5/SP6IXF, PJ7/K2GSJ, PZ5MM, S21YZ, T31A, T70A, T88IK, V21ZG, V26OB, V31YK, V5/DK1CE, V5/GI4DOH, VK9CM, and VK9CX.

QSLs via Direct: 1A0C (OQRS), 4O7VB (UA4WHX), 7Z7AB (OQRS), 9A8VB (UA4WHX), C6AXY (W9XY), CP4DR (KV7Q), E20VB (UA4WHX), D64K (GDXF), EL2LF (KY7M), GO3TXF (QRZ.com), JW7QIA (QRZ.com), JY8VB (UA4WHX), KL7RRC/P (N7RO), NH8S (OQRS), P29VPB [OC-069] (G3KHZ), P29NI [OC-099] (G3KHZ), SU9VB (UA4WHX), T6LG (LZ1ZF), VP2MGZ (DL7AFS) and VP2MYL (DL7AFS).

QSLs via LoTW: 9L0W, C6AKQ, E7DX, ED3X, EI7M, OH0X, OJ0R, PJ2/K3ND, SP5GRM, VU2PAI, WP3A, ZF1A and ZL9HR.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF (Canada Flora & Fauna) at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html

WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: ww-ff.blogspot.nl/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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BITS & PIECES -

9-Island Denmark-Germany-Poland IOTA Tour -
Starting on January 10th look for Vincent, F4BKV and Col, MM0NDX to be active from the following Danish, German and Polish islands:

EU-029 - from Sjaelland (DIA SJ-001, WLOTA 3302), Elleore (DIA SJ-032), Gavno (DIA SJ-027), Masnedo (DIA SJ-033), Falster (DIA SJ-016, WLOTA 1961), Lolland (DIA SJ-015, WLOTA 2773), Sprogo (DIA SJ-009) & Amager (DIA SJ-002) (OZ/F4BKV & OZ/MM0NDX).
EU-128 - from Fehmarn (GIA O-001, WLOTA 0637) (DL/F4BKV & DL/MM0NDX).
EU-057 - from Ruden (GIA O-011) (DL/F4BKV & DL/MM0NDX).
EU-129 - from Usedom (GIA O-013, WLOTA 1640) (DL/F4BKV & DL/MM0NDX).
EU-132 - from Wolin (SPIA SZ-002, WLOTA 1420) (SP/F4BKV & SP/MM0NDX).
EU-042 - from Sylt (GIA N-016, WFF DLFF-013, WLOTA 2057) (DL/F4BKV & DL/MM0NDX).
EU-125 - from Romo (DIA NS-001) (OZ/F4BKV & OZ/MM0NDX).
EU-172 - from Fyn (DIA FY-001, WLOTA 2690) (OZ/F4BKV & OZ/MM0NDX).
EU-171 - from Jegindo (DIA NJ-006) (OZ/F4BKV & OZ/MM0NDX).

Itinerary can can be found here:
https://twitter.com/IOTA_Trip/status/286920748596088832/photo/1/large

When active in Denmark they may use a special call, if so this info will be updated.
The journey finishes on January 13th.
They'll be using twitter so you can follow progress.
Twitter page is here: https://twitter.com/IOTA_Trip
Bureau QSLs via home calls; direct QSLs for both via F4BKV, preferably via OQRS Web Page (www.f4bkv.net/oqrs). [DX World]

30M Beacon -

Andrea, IZ3NY,T has built a new beacon on 30 metres. He would like your participation and hopes you have fun. Receive the signal and send a QSL card report to Andrea. SWL's, please listen for the beacon also and send in a signal report. The frequency is 10138,5 kHz CW, 8 WPM, power 100mW.
The layout and the pictures you can see on his website: iz3nyt.altervista.org/
Happy New Year 2013.
73 de Andrea IZ3NYT

Antarctic News -

Bob K4MZU writes:
1) After my QSO this evening with Richard CE6RC/8 in Puerto Natalas... Mika OJ1ABOA called me. He told me that he plans to be more active this coming week-end.

2) I also talked with BP VU3BPZ/mm 30km from Indian Bay Camp. Later this week he plans to be QRV as VU3BPZ/p from Matri Base 3-4 days and possibly 1 day from Indian Bay Camp.

3) Stella VP8DFM (xyl of Roger VP8DBR) is newly active 14.212 MHz from the Falklands. [K4MZU]

Brave Radio Friends: Radio Activity Award January 2013 -

The award is sponsored by BRAVE RADIO FRIENDS and can be applied for by amateur radio stations or short wave listeners. The rules are simple: In January 2013 work (OP)or hear (SWL) as many DXCC-entities as possible. No band or mode restricitions. All entities count only once, regardless of band or mode. For the award a minimum of 20 DXCC-entities is required. The number of DXCC entities worked/heard will be entered in the award.

Application with log extract (please pdf, doc, xls or jpg). Deadline of the application is February 28, 2013.

You can only apply for a pdf-version of the award and there is no fee.

Send your application by e-mail to: /de3ear at darc.de/ <mailto:de3ear at darc.de>

[Hans-Jeurgen via HAM_awards]

Morse Code as UNESCO Intangible cultural heritage -

(Update) On 12th December 2012, the Cabinet of Germany ratified the UNESCO Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage, which brings us one step closer to the goal of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC) and IARU to have Morse Code added to the list of Intangible cultural heritage. The national UNESCO offices are checking the applications of their respective countries, and upon success they will be send to Paris, where in November 2014, Morse Code could finally be accepted to the list. [DXNL]

VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna
The new VEFF website has been launched on 1 January 2013, under the umbrella of the WWFF (WorldWide Flora Fauna) committee and council. Note that the website is still under construction at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/

WWFF News -
Since 01.01.2013 all DLFF-awards can be requested as free PDF via e-mail. The known print version is still available for the previous 7.00 EURO fee. [DL4BBH]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of I.C.P.O.: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
Home of VEFF Program: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
DX Calendar - Contest Calendar - Lighthouse Activity & much more
Join ICPO e-Group: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/icpo
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North American Checkpoint For:
World Lighthouses On The Air - WLOTA
www.wlota.com/
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All Croatian Islands Award - ACIA
All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
The World Lighthouse Diplom - TWLHD/TWLHF
www.9a7k.com/
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Official Representative & Co-Ordinator of WCA program for Canada.
www.wcagroup.org/ENG/main.html
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WWFF committee council member.
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